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COUNTRY_____ Polish-occupied Germany

REPORT NO._____ ██████████

TOPIC_____ 1. Soviet Troops in Schweidnitz, Breslau and Gleiwitz

_____ 2. Polish Troops in Leobschuetz, Lamsdorf and Katowice

EVALUATION_____ see below _____ PLACE OBTAINED_____ ██████████ 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT 25X1A prior to late June 1951

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REFERENCES_____ ██████████████████████████████

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25X1X   Soviet Troops.

1. Prior to 11 June 1951, Soviet Air Force units were observed in Schweidnitz (P 51/H 18); some of them were quartered in a long large barracks installation, about 150 meters southwest of the railroad station. Armored units, of which no details were known, were also stationed at the ~~post. (1)~~ Motor

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2. On 25 June 1951, a large Soviet troop unit was located in a barracks installation southwest of Breslau (P 52/C 41). Most of the soldiers of the unit wore black service color and some   25X1B of them red service color on their caps. No tanks or guns were seen. ██████████████████████

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3. On 20 June 1951, the Soviet unit stationed in Gleiwitz (Q 51/Y 37) was not in the post. Only a guard detail had remained there. (4) The Hermann Goering Plant in Laband near Gleiwitz was frequently inspected by a Polish military commission, which ordered the air raid shelters to be cleaned. Workers said that the plant would be taken over by the Polish Army. Workers there were no longer discharged.

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Polish Troops.

4. On 22 June 1951, Polish border guard troops and a labor battalion of members of the 1929 and 1930 classes were quartered in the barracks installation on ul.Boleslawa Chrobrego in Leobschuetz (P 51/J 12). The labor battalion was engaged in the construction of emplacements and bunkers in the restricted wooded area about 3 km northwest of the post, near the Czech border. Trucks were seen hauling construction material to the woods. (5)

5. Prior to mid-June 1951, a Polish infantry regiment from Neisse (P 51/H 75) was at the Lamsdorf (P 51/H 96) troop training grounds. Units cover No 2867/A and 7703 were identified at the troop training grounds. (6)

6. On 21 June 1951, it was learned that a school for tank officers and NCOs had been recently opened in Katowice (Q 51/H 57).

7. Prior to early 1951, a motorized KBW (Corps of Internal Security) regiment of about 1,500 troops was located in the barracks installation on the west side of ul. Koszarowa in Katowice. In addition to small arms, the regiment was equipped with light machine guns, heavy machine guns, mortars, six 45-mm guns and light armored vehicles. All weapons were of Soviet origin. The regiment had Studebaker, Dodge and ZIS trucks. Dwelling houses for the dependents of the KBW soldiers were located east of the barracks area. A general lived in a villa on ul. Generala Zajaczka, which was guarded by sentries. (7)

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███ Comments.

(1) Soviet Army and Air Force units were last confirmed in   25X1A
     Schweidnitz by a resettler in July 1950. ████████████████

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(3) This barracks installation cannot be identified. According to another resettler, a barracks installation at Krietern (Krzyki), a southwestern suburb of Breslau, was occupied by Soviet troops in September 1950. This barracks installation is possibly the   25X1B
     former Kuerassier Kaserne on ul. Benedykta Dolaka, formerly
     Kuerassierstrasse. ████████████████████████████

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(4) A report of September 1950 did not specify whether the troops in Gleiwitz were Soviet. ████████████████ 25X1A

(5) The 1st Co of the 64th WOP (Border Guard Corps) Bn is known to be stationed in Leobschuetz. ████████████████ 25X1A

(6) The 33d Inf Regt of the 7th Inf Div is assumed to be in Neisse.

(7) The 6th KBW Brigade was confirmed in this installation in April 1950. ████████████████ ° 25X1A

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